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SUBJECT: "RUSSELL TRIBUNAL" DENOUNCES AMERICAN LABOR'S  
ACTIVITIES IN LATIN AMERICA

REF: ROME 0631(NOTAL)

1. SUMMARY: THE RUSSELL TRIBUNAL, MEETING THIS WEEK IN ROME TO  
DENOUNCE "ALL ASPECTS OF THE COMPLEX MACHINERY MOUNTED BY THE US  
GOVERNMENT AND ITS GREAT CAPITALISTIC CENTERS FOR THE DOMINATION OF  
THE LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES," GOT AROUND YESTERDAY TO ACCUSATIONS  
OF US "SUBVERSION AND PENETRATION OF THE LATIN AMERICAN LABOR  
MOVEMENT." SINGLED OUT FOR SPECIAL ATTACK WAS THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE  
FOR FREE LABOR DEVELOPMENT (AIFLD), DESCRIBED AS "ONE OF THE MANY  
ORGANIZATIONS WHICH MULTIPLY UNDER THE POWER AND WEALTH OF THE US,  
ALL OF WHICH ARE SUBSUMED UNDER WHAT HAS BECOME THE SYMBOL OF THE  
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IMPERIALISM OF OUR TIME, THE CIA." END SUMMARY

2. THE SPEAKERS ON THIS SUBJECT WERE IDENTIFIED AS PROF. ALBERTO MARTINELLI, OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MILAN; "THE AMERICAN SCHOLAR" RONALD RADOSH; "THE CALIFORNIA TRADE UNIONIST" FRED HIRSCH AND ROBERTO MODENA, NOT OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED. HIRSCH, EVIDENTLY, WAS THE MAIN "WITNESS". WE UNDERSTAND HE HAS PERFORMED THIS NUMBER FREQUENTLY IN THE PAST. HE WAS INTERVIEWED IN A RAI-TV NEWS BROADCAST LAST WEEKEND. REFERENCE WAS ALSO MADE TO WILLIAM C. DOHERTY, JR., AIFLD DIRECTOR, WHO WAS DESCRIBED IN THE COMMUNIST DAILY L'UNITA AS BEING "INDICATED BY THE WASHINGTON POST AS CLOSELY TIED TO CIA OPERATIONS." THE SOCIALIST DAILY AVANTI CLAIMS THE POST DESCRIBED DOHERTY AS "A CAREER AGENT OF THE CIA."

3. THE PREDICTABLE SUBSTANCE OF THE CHARGES IS THAT AIFLD'S PRIME FUNCTION IS "TO ORGANIZE A NETWORK OF AGENTS IN ALL OF LATIN AMERICA FOR THE PUPOSE OF PENETRATING THE TRTADE UNIONS AND, IF POSSIBLE, TAKING CONTROL OF THEM". HISCH IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT AIFLD HAS TRAINED 250,000 SUCH AGENTS SINCE 1962. HE IS ALSO APPARENTLY THE SOURCE OF AN ASSERTION THAT "THE US SPENT \$800 MILLION IN GUYANA, A COUNTRY OF ONE MILLION INHABITANTS, TO TOPPLE THE GOVERNMENT OF CHEDDY JAGAN."

4. NEWSPAPER COVERAGE OF YESTERDAY'S SESSION WAS RELATIVELY MODEST, WITH NOT ALL PAPERS CARRYING THE STORY. IT HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT SUB-MERGED BY THE GROWING PREOCCUPATION OF THE DAILY AND WEEKLY PRESS WITH  
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THE CIA (ROME'S 0631). THE TRIBUNAL HAS NOT COMPLETED ITS ENGAGEMENT HERE, EXCEPT FOR THE PRONUNCIATION OF THE "SENTENCE".VOLPE

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